

Riverton City
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes
September 9, 2014

Riverton City Hall
12830 South 1700 West
Riverton, Utah 84065

Attendance:

Mayor William R. Applegarth

Council Members:

Council Member Brent Johnson
Council Member Trent Staggs
Council Member Sheldon Stewart
Council Member Tricia Tingey
Council Member Paul Wayman

City Staff:

Lance Blackwood, City Manager
Virginia Loader, Recorder
Ryan Carter, City Attorney
Jeff Hawker, Asst. City Manager
Dan Woodbury

Citizens: Michael S. Johnson, Wyoma Darlington, Rhett Tingey

1. GENERAL BUSINESS

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Applegarth called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. He then conducted a Roll Call and Council Members Johnson, Staggs, Stewart, Tingey, and Wayman were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentations/Reports

Recognition of Boy Scout Troops

There were no Boy Scouts in attendance.

Public Comments

Mayor Applegarth explained the public comment procedure and called for public comments. There were no public comments; therefore, Mayor Applegarth closed the Public Comment period.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS - There were no Public Hearings scheduled.

Mayor Applegarth then moved to the Consent Agenda.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Applegarth presented the following Consent Agenda:

1. **Minutes:** RCCM 09-02-14
2. **Bond Releases:** N/A

Council Member Sheldon Stewart **MOVED the City Council approve the Consent Agenda as listed.** Council Member Tricia Tingey **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for discussion on the motion; there being none, he called for a Roll Call Vote. The vote was as follows: Johnson-Yes, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-Yes. **The motion passed unanimously.**

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Presentation of Culinary Water Rate Alternatives

Dan Woodbury presented information prepared by Carollo Engineers regarding Water Quality Improvement Alternatives graph. He then presented information from a memo from Carollo Engineers and said that Riverton City's culinary water has high total dissolved solids (TDS), and there are many ways to remove those solids from the water. The water quality report focused on processes commonly used at municipal drinking water systems in Utah.

Mr. Woodbury then explained an Electro-coagulation process provided by Carollo Engineers, which is a viable method removing solids from water; however, he said it was more widely used in the industrial and petroleum industries. With electro-coagulation the process will generate solids that have to be removed from the water stream and the solids will have to be dewatered and disposed of. The cost for electro-coagulation is not used at any range between conventional lime softening and wellhead pellet softening. Electro-coagulation is not used at any municipal culinary systems in Utah and therefore was not considered for evaluation during preparation of the report.

Lisa Dudley, Finance Director, presented the following information regarding a Consumption Analysis-Billing Comparison as requested by the Council. The comparison information was based on 7918 active accounts for July 2013 for Rate Code 101 – Residential – (east of 4800 West) and Rate Code 108 – Jordan Valley Water – (west of 4800 West):

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the Consumption Analysis-Billing Comparisons for Rate Code 101 – residential connections.

Following discussion Mayor Applegarth confirmed that the Council was comfortable and confident that the numbers in the left column of the comparisons were sufficient to meet the water demands of the City and the cost of the water, and that the Council was not comfortable

with the two comparisons in the right column of the billing comparisons. He then asked the Council Members for direction.

Council Member Sheldon Stewart **MOVED that we don't consider any additional alternatives.** Council Member Tricia Tingey **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for discussion on the motion; Council Member Wayman asked why the Council would not consider other alternatives proposed during previous discussion in the meeting. Lance Blackwood addressed questions from Council Member Wayman. Council Member Trent Staggs commented on the different proposals presented and previously discussed and discussion ensued. Mayor Applegarth then called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-No, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-No. **The motion passed 3 to 2.**

Mayor Applegarth then led discussion regarding the alternatives in the left column of the Billing Comparisons.

A break was taken after which the meeting was reconvened and discussion ensued regarding proposed water rates for Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District water.

Following lengthy discussion Council Member Sheldon Stewart said that he would like to see a base rate that would generate adequate funds that would cover infrastructure costs. He then **MOVED that in the survey we will have two options. The first option is to stay at current, the current structure and current billing, 108 or 101. The second piece of the motion is to propose for the second option in the survey would be a \$3.00 base rate with a per 1000 gallon usage of \$3.91.** The motion died for lack of a SECOND.

Council Member Brent Johnson **MOVED to stay at \$3.91 per 1000 with a base of \$2.50.** Council Member Sheldon Stewart **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for discussion on the motion and discussion ensued in regards to decreasing costs and increasing efficiencies in the water system regardless of the survey results.

Council Member Trent Staggs made a **Substitute Motion and MOVED to move forward on a survey with a \$3.91 option with no base rate.** The Motion died for lack of a second.

Council Member Paul Wayman made a **Substitute Motion and MOVED to have a \$12.00 base rate and start at \$2.92 per 1000 gallons.** The Motion died for lack of a second.

Council Member Trent Staggs made a **Substitute Motion and MOVED that we have a base rate of \$1.00 then \$3.91 per 1000 gallons.** Council Member Sheldon Stewart **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for discussion on the motion and discussion ensued in regards to insuring adequate funding for water system improvements. He then called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-No, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-No, Tingey-No, and Wayman-No. **The motion failed 4 to 1.**

A vote was then taken on the motion on the floor as follows:

Council Member Brent Johnson **MOVED to stay at \$3.91 per 1000 with a base of \$2.50.** Council Member Sheldon Stewart **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-No, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-No. **The motion passed 3 to 2.**

2. Presentation of Tentative Culinary Water Alternatives Process Calendar

The following Culinary Water Alternatives Process Calendar was discussed with amendments made by the Council Members:

RIVERTON CITY Fiscal Year 2014-15 Tentative Culinary Water Alternatives Process Calendar	
Sept - 2014	
09	Presentation and Adoption of Culinary Water Alternatives Process Calendar
09	Presentation of Culinary Water Rate Alternatives
09	Decision made on Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District Rate Structure Alternative
16	Dates set for Council District Open Houses - (<i>Arranged by individual Council Members</i>)
30	Distribution of Proposed Survey Methodology, Fact Sheet, and other Media Plans to Council for Review
Oct - 2014	
07	Final Approval of Governing Resolution - (<i>Council Action</i>)
07	Final Approval of Fact Sheet - (<i>Council Action</i>)
07	Continued Discussion of Survey Methodology - (<i>Potential Council Action</i>)
14	1st City-wide Open House 5:00-9:00 p.m. - <i>Riverton City Public Works Building</i>
16	District 1 & 2 Joint Open House 6:00 8:00 p.m. – <i>Riverton City Public Works Building</i>
21	Review of all Processes and Packet Information
Nov - 2014	
03	Begin 100% City-wide JWWCD Water Trial Basis Period
10	Surveys and Fact Sheet Mailed by Independent Agency
18	2nd City-wide Open House 5:00-9:00 p.m. – <i>Riverton City Hall - (In place of Regular City Council Meeting)</i>
Dec - 2014	
08	Deadline for Surveys to be Returned or Postmarked and Counted by Independent Agency
12	End 100% City-wide JWWCD Water Trial Basis Period
16	Presentation from Independent Agency Reporting Results of Survey
July - 2015	
01	Switch Over to JWWCD if Approved

Following discussion of the Tentative Calendar, it was the consensus of the Council to include a Calendar of Key Dates in the November Newsletter.

Council Member Trent Staggs **MOVED** to approve the calendar with one modification to include on November 10 to include “Surveys and Fact Sheet”, to include on December 8 to include “returned or postmarked”, and, between September 9 and September 16, set the dates of Council District Open Houses. Council Member Sheldon Stewart **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-Yes. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Council Member Sheldon Stewart **MOVED** to hold one Open House in each District that is supported by staff. Council Member Tricia Tingey **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-Yes. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Council Member Sheldon Stewart **MOVED** that the first City-wide Open House prior the survey be held at the Public Works Facility on October 14, 2014, and the second City-wide Open House be held at City Hall on November 18, 2014. Council Member Paul Wayman **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-Yes. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Council Members Sheldon Stewart and Tricia Tingey scheduled a Joint Open House with staff support at the Public Works Facility on October 16, 2014, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

5. STAFF REPORTS

- 1. City Manager Lance Blackwood** – No reports.

Safety Training – No report.

6. ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor Bill Applegarth – No report

Council Member Brent Johnson – reported on water problems in the City Cemetery that need immediate resolution.

Council Member Trent Staggs – said that he had weed abatement issues that he would speak with Ryan Carter and Bill Salmon about.

Council Member Sheldon Stewart – said that he reported painting of crosswalks on Public Stuff; the item was closed but one of the crosswalks was not completed.

Council Member Tricia Tingey – No report

Council Member Paul Wayman – No report

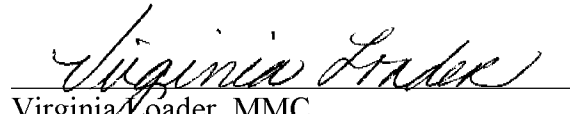
7. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mayor Applegarth reviewed the following upcoming meetings:

1. September 16, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. – Regular City Council Meeting
2. September 30, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. – Regular City Council Meeting
3. October 07, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. – Regular City Council Meeting

8. ADJOURN

Council Member Brent Johnson **MOVED to adjourn the City Council Meeting**. Council Member Trent Staggs **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Applegarth called for discussion on the motion; there being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Johnson-Yes, Staggs-Yes, Stewart-Yes, Tingey-Yes, and Wayman-Yes. **The motion passed unanimously**. Mayor Applegarth declared the meeting adjourned 9:10 p.m.


Virginia Loader, MMC
Recorder

Approved: CC 09-16-14